

In the Specification:

Page 1, replace the paragraph under the heading "Cross-Reference to Related Applications" with the following replacement paragraph:

A¹ -- This application is a continuation of Serial No. 09/327,717 filed June 8, 1999, now US 6,473,513, issued October 29, 2002, titled "Extended Wear Canal Hearing Device," of the same assignee. This application is also related to co-pending patent applications Ser. No. 09/190,764, filed November 12, 1998, titled "Battery Enclosure for Canal Hearing Devices", now patent No. US 6,208,741, issued March 27, 2001, and Ser. No. 09/199,699, filed November 25, 1998, titled "Semi-Permanent Canal Hearing Device," referred to herein as "the '764 application 741 patent" and "the '699 application," respectively. --

Page 18, replace the first paragraph under the heading "Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments and Methods" with the following replacement paragraph:

A² -- The present invention provides a hearing device positioned entirely in the ear canal in a minimally occluding fashion and thus particularly suited for extended use without resorting to daily removal from the ear canal. For the sake of additional clarity and understanding in the ensuing description, the disclosures of the aforementioned related co-pending '764 '741 patent and '699 applications application (see section titled "Cross-Reference to Related Applications", above) are incorporated herein by reference. --

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